indicate smuggling of these commodities on any significant scale.

(b) Smuggling being a clandestine activity, it is not feasible to estimate the extent of smuggling or increase or decrease in smuggling of sugar to Nepal and Bangladesh during the last six months.

(c) The areas adjacent to the Indo-Nepal border in the States of Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and West Bengal are areas vulnerable from the smuggling angle. On the Indo-Bangladesh border, Nadia district in West Bengal is reportedly prone to smuggling activity.

(d) The State Governments of the border States have been asked to keep watch and take appropriate steps to prevent smuggling of these commodities. The Customs and Central Excise staff and the Border Security Force have also been alerted.

(e) The prices of sugar, Khandsari and gur have been showing a rising tendency during the past few months but the extent of such price rise due to smuggling alone cannot be estimated.

Cashewnut Production

2330. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the cashewnut producing States;

(b) whether the production of cashewnut has been steadily increasing in those State during the last few years;

(c) if so, the State-wise, cashewnut production during the last three years;

(d) whether there is a good scope in increase in areas under cashewnut production in Orissa and some other States; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, West Bengal, Pondicherry, Tripura, Goa are the main cashew nut producing States.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The production data collected from the dicerent States are given in the enclosed statement—I (*See* below).

(d) and (e) Yes. Sir. State-wise area considered for planting are given in the enclosed statement-II.

Statement—I

State-wise Production of Raw Cashewnut from 1985-86 *to* 1987-88

States	Production in MT		
	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88
Kerala	1,28,900	1,30,900	1,34,000
Karnataka	20,930	22,030	22,940
Andhra Pradesh	26,810	29,070	31,860
Tamil Nadu	11,800	11,850	11,980
Goa	10,760	11,310	12,090
Maharashtra	15,790	19,120	21,360
Orissa	16,880	18,560	22,320
West Bengal	2,318	2,440	3,404
Pondicherry	238	245	257
Tripura	49	51	50
TOTAL	2,34,475	2,45,576	2,60,261

Statement-II

Area Considered for Fresh Planting under Cashewnut

States	Area in Hectare
Tamil Nadu	15,600
Andhra Pradesh	14,000
Kerala	13,650
Karnataka	13,650
Goa	10,000
Orissa	10,000
Tripura	8,200
Others	4,900
Total:—	1,00,000

New strategies for drought management

2331. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI:
SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have started exercise to devise new strategies for effective management of drought in the country in view of the recurring drought; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b) The Government have taken a number of measures in this regard. These include increasing irrigated areas, Drought Prone Area Programme, Desert Development Programme, Soil and Water Conservation Programme, Jawahar Rojgar Yojana, afforestation, etc.

Non-recovery of dues from M/s. Jalandhar Body Builders Ltd.

2332. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 10th July, 1989 to the effect that Delhi Development Authority has suffered a loss of Rs 54.26 lakhs due to non-recovery of dues from M/s. Jalandhar Body Builders Pvt Ltd., who are allegedly in illegal possession of 3914.62 square metres of land in Chowksi Mubarakpur, near Old Rohtak Road;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for non-recovery of the dues;

(d) by when this money is likely to be recovered; and

(e) the action taken by Government against M/s. Jalandhar Body Builders Pvt. Ltd.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.